

COL. M'GRAW WINS

His Fight for the Honors of National Committee.

BUT MADE SOME HEARTS BLEED.

Chilton Withdraws and Sets Up a Man of Straw

IN EX-CONGRESSMAN CAPEHART.

The Vote was Close, but Aid Came From an Unexpected Quarter.

KINKAID, OF MARSHALL COUNTY,

Who was Supposed to Favor the Horse Jockey of Mason County, Cast the Decisive Vote for the Talleyrand of Taylor, St. Clair Beaten for the Delegation Chairmanship—In Fact the State House Faction Got the "Key Mitt" All Round. A Scrappy Time Over Sustaining Captain Sheridan's Action in Voting for Hill for Temporary Chairman—Delegation Divided Between Bland and Boies. Judge Jackson's Candidacy.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CHICAGO, July 6.—There was a big fight in the West Virginia delegation to-day over convention honors—a contest which involved state politics to a great extent. Some shrewd work was done, but the result did not surprise those who had been watching things. All interest centered on the choice of a national committeeman and there was a great deal of feeling between the factions. Chairman Will E. Chilton was the sole candidate from the southern end of the state, until he decided to withdraw, and, as I telegraphed last night, he had the field to fight. John T. McGraw was the leader of the opposition, and he won out, the vote being McGraw 6, Capehart 5. Capehart was Chilton's man; the latter's name not being presented after it was seen that he stood in front of McGraw. Col. J. W. St. Clair proposed Capehart's name as that of an original free silverite, McGraw being regarded as a recent convert to the "16 to 1" idea. It was thought that the "original" business would settle things. It didn't, however. Charles H. Taney, of Wheeling, A. A. Franzheim, of Wheeling, and R. E. Horner, of Parkersburg, were all candidates, and they divided the vote until the final ballot when McGraw was named through the combination of the anti-Chilton crowd, that was predicted in these dispatches last night.

The Unexpected Happens.

The strange thing about the whole matter was that the one man in the delegation, who of all others was expected to cast his vote for Capehart, decided the ballot in McGraw's favor. His name is William Kinkaid, of Marshall county. The McGraw people captured him easily with the promise of the place on the committee on resolutions. That settled it and the fight was over, but there were some spots left and the fight is only begun.

The northern fellows were not satisfied with this signal victory, and another scuffle had to be added to the one taken from Chilton. Colonel St. Clair wanted to be chairman of the delegation. He was defeated by Henry S. Wilson, of Parkersburg. W. E. R. Byrne, of Braxton, another anti-state house ring man was chosen to represent the state on the committee on credentials. The remainder of the honors were distributed thus: For secretary of the delegation, J. J. Cornwell; for committee to notify the presidential nominee, Mr. Talbot; to notify the vice presidential nominee, Lawrence Tierney; committee on order of business, Col. J. W. St. Clair; committee on permanent organization, "Tug" Wilson.

The Victorious Faction.

It will be noted that the victorious faction is not the one representing the radical free silver crowd. The radicals are in anything but a good humor over the result of the contest for national committeeman. McGraw is serene, however, and "Charlie" Wells, ex-Governor Fleming, Major Rau Stalnaker, Captain John Sheridan and other sound money men are wearing smiles. By the way these gentlemen are outspoken for gold. Captain Sheridan says openly he cannot conscientiously support a free silver candidate or platform. Governor Fleming says little, but everybody understands that he is uncompromisingly in favor of sound money and there are others. The only one of the whole lot who wears a gold badge is Major Stalnaker, but he admits he will take it off if the convention accepts his plank for the free coinage of barrel bungs, keg bungs and all other kinds of bungs.

G. A. D.

SCRAPPY TIMES

In West Virginia Delegation Over Sustaining Committeeman Sheridan.

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CHICAGO, July 6.—The fight in the West Virginia delegation this afternoon over the committee honors was not a patching to the racket that followed over the question of casting the solid vote of the state for David B. Hill for temporary chairman. "The main question was as to whether the action of National Committeeman John Sheridan in voting for Hill should be sustained by the delegation. There was some opposition to this on the part of the most radical free silverites who were in favor of joining with the Altgelds and the Tillmans, in refusing to do anything that might be construed into holding out the olive branch to the sound money faction. This opposition was led by "Buck" Harding and Mr. Kinkaid; and while it was in the minority, it provoked an exciting debate. Impassioned speeches were made in favor of standing by Captain Sheridan by Colonel St. Clair, Colonel McGraw, Captain Talbot and one or two others.

Heated Discussion.

The caucus was behind closed doors, but so exciting did the debate become, that the attention of the crowds in the corridors outside were attracted, and about the West Virginia headquarters was a mass of interested onlookers who wondered how it was that so small a state could kick up so big a row. All the speeches for Hill were to the effect that to take any action that would be construed into a vote to gag the minor-

ity would be equivalent to serving notice on the sound money men at home that they were no longer wanted in the party. It would also be equivalent to kicking Captain Sheridan out of the West Virginia Democracy.

The radical 16 to 1 men thought that a vote for Hill would be an intimation that the state would be willing to compromise on a platform. After a three hours discussion Captain Sheridan was unanimously sustained, and West Virginia will not vote to turn Hill down.

The delegation will meet to-morrow morning to decide on whom they will center for President. They stand about evenly divided between Boies and Bland with a strong feeling for Stevenson should he be sprung. This is the situation as to West Virginia, all other reports to the contrary notwithstanding.

Governor MacCorkle is no longer even a "receptive" candidate for vice President. Under certain conditions, Judge John Jay Jackson's name will be presented to the convention, however. The delegation to-day telegraphed to the judge for his views on the silver question. If the reply is satisfactory to the silverites he will be seriously taken up. The matter will be finally acted on at to-morrow morning's caucus, by which time a message is expected from Judge Jackson. There is trouble over tickets. There are more West Virginia rooters than were favors to go around, but kicking doesn't help the matter any. G. A. D.

NEW NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

List of New Men Who Have Been Selected So Far.

CHICAGO, July 6.—Following are the members of the national committee so far chosen, the election of the others having been deferred: Arkansas, Thomas C. Melroe; Colorado, Adair Wilson; Connecticut, Carlos French; Florida, Samuel Pascoe; Georgia, Clark Howell; Idaho, George Anable; Illinois, Thomas Cahoon; Iowa, Charles A. Walsh; Kansas, J. G. Johnson; Kentucky, Urry Woodson; Louisiana, N. C. Blanchard; Maryland, Arthur P. Gorman; Massachusetts, John W. Corcoran; Michigan, E. G. Stevenson; Minnesota, D. W. Langer; Mississippi, W. V. Sullivan; Montana, A. J. McHatt; Nebraska, Tobias Castor; New Hampshire, A. W. Sulloway; New Jersey, James Smith, Jr.; New York, John C. Sheehan; North Carolina, Joseph Daniels; Ohio, John R. McLean; Pennsylvania, W. F. Harrity; South Carolina, Senator Tillman; South Dakota, James Woods; Tennessee, J. M. Head; Texas, James G. Dudley; Utah, A. W. McCune; Vermont, H. B. Smalley; Washington, Hugh C. Wallace; West Virginia, J. T. McGraw; Wisconsin, E. C. Wall; Wyoming, W. H. Holliday; Arizona, W. H. Burbag.

Gorman Re-elected Committeeman.

CHICAGO, July 6.—The Maryland delegation at their caucus to-day re-elected United States Senator Arthur P. Gorman member of the National Committee. Gorman is the national chairman of the delegation. Maryland has sixteen votes in the convention, eleven of these are for gold and five for silver. The other committees honors were distributed as follows: Resolutions, John Prentice Poe; rules, James W. McElroy; credentials, Edwin Warfield; permanent organization, Spencer C. Jones; honorary vice president, Richard M. Venable; notification of nominee, John Hannibal and Henry P. Wingert.

Our on Tammany.

CHICAGO, July 6.—The Tammany delegation from New York arrived this morning and there were some ludicrous features to the arrival. The delegates came in on two trains, and the majority grabbed their bags and went to headquarters. Some few, however, not believing it possible that the great organization would not be met with a band, and that there would not be a demonstration, followed a band that started across Michigan avenue.

When they had marched several blocks beyond their hotel quarters they suddenly found that they had been marching and perspiring behind a Bland contingent, and they began rapidly to drop out of line, very crestfallen. There were several state senators and other prominent men in this mistaken delegation, and the silver people had a great laugh over the matter.

Ohio Delegation Organizes.

CHICAGO, July 6.—The Ohio delegation met at 11 o'clock and remained in session until 1:30 o'clock. There was a great deal of speaking and the roll was called and nearly every proposition. The meeting resulted in the following organization: Chairman, John R. McLean; members of the national committee, John T. McLean; resolutions, Allen W. Thurman; credentials, Urry Sloan; permanent organization, General E. B. Finley; vice president John H. Blocker; secretary, George S. Long; notification committee for president, L. E. Molden; notification committee for vice president, Robert B. Gordon. The delegation favors the free coinage of "Silver Rules" and order of business, Frank Harper.

Colorado's Position.

CHICAGO, July 6.—The Colorado delegation elected the following officers: Chairman, R. W. Sheer; member of national committee, Adair Wilson; resolutions, C. S. Thomas; credentials, T. J. O'Donnell; organization, H. Sweeney; vice president, J. B. Grant; secretary, Olney Newell; notification nominee for president, T. J. O'Donnell; notify nominee for vice president, Ed McCarthy. The Colorado delegation decided by a vote of 5 to 3 to support Senator Teller for President as a unit in case his name was brought before the convention. If Teller's name is not presented the delegation will be for Bland.

SHOT HIS BROTHER DEAD

While Illustrating How He Got the Drop on Another Man.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

PAIKERSBURG, W. Va., July 6.—Daniel Devlin, of Long Bottom, Ohio, shot and instantly killed his brother Joe, at a picnic near Crooked Fork, Saturday, on his way to the picnic. Devlin had a fight with a man named Cosgrove, whom he prevented braining him by placing a pistol at his breast.

While illustrating to his brother how he "fixed" Cosgrove, the revolver exploded and the charge passed through his brother's heart. He was arrested. The aged mother of the men is prostrated and her death is expected.

Turners' Meeting at Steubenville.

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STREUBENVILLE, O., July 6.—This city is filled with Turners in attendance in the sixteenth turnfest of the Pittsburgh Turn-Bund. The Wheeling society arrived this evening and their headquarters is at Louis Schaefer's. The turnfest opened at Turner hall this evening with a grand concert. Speaker Carstenen, Mayor Riley and District Speaker Engle made welcome addresses. The delegation gave an opera, "Princess of Cannibals."

New Postmaster.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 6.—W. H. Daugherty has been appointed postmaster at Buckman, Hampshire county, vice L. B. Emmart, resigned.

ONLY ONE THING

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THAT OBSCURES THE VISION

Of the Wisest and Most Far-Seeing Democratic Leaders,

AND THAT IS THE CONVENTION

Will Declare for the Free Coinage of Silver at Sixteen to One—The Convention is at the Door, and Has Not the Remotest Idea who it Will Select to Lead It Through Its Infatuation to Deceived Defeat in November—Bland Leads, with Boies a Close Second—Silver Men Distraught Over the Fear they May be Stamped—Gold Men Present a Compact Front.

CHICAGO, July 6.—On the eve of the Democratic national convention which convenes in the Coliseum on the lake front at noon to-morrow, all is confusion. Only one thing looms up like a search light in the fog that hangs over the situation and obscures the vision of the wisest and most far-seeing of the leaders. That is the convention will be for silver at 16 to 1. As for candidates, the convention is still groping in the dark. The din of the Bland and Boies boomers is deafening, and so infectious at times that it almost carries the public off its feet. Bland is unquestionably in the lead so far as actual votes are concerned, his strength approximating 250, a liberal estimate, with Boies moving along at his heels with about 200; but neither is able to demonstrate yet how he can win. In this chaotic condition of affairs gossip and speculation casts about for dark horses. William J. Bryan, the boy orator of the Platte, Vice President Adlai E. Stevenson, John R. McLean, the Blue Grass orator, Senator Joe Blackburn, of Kentucky; Senator White, of California, all share the distinction of being canvassed. Even Senator Hill, of New York, is talked of, and his famous Elmira speech of 1892 is recalled as an evidence that he is a bi-metalist, and would make a strong compromise candidate.

The name of ex-Governor James E. Campbell, of Ohio, is also heard. The Penney boom from Oregon was formally launched to-day and ex-Congressman Joe Sibley, of Pennsylvania, has announced his candidacy. At work in the background is the senatorial movement for Teller with the free silver Republicans and their allies, the Populist leaders, straining every nerve to impress on the convention the advisability of nominating the Coloradoan. With all these silver forces struggling against each other, with the gold men solid and compact, ready to obey orders, it is a shrewd political prophet who can point the man out, it will require at least another day for the fog to lift.

Undisciplined Silverites.

The silver leaders now reluctantly admit on the eve of the convention that their two-thirds majority is an undisciplined mass, running hither and thither possibly to be stamped in the end. They started out with the announced intention of getting together and arranging a programme to be put through by the radical and free silver majority. They were to abrogate the two-thirds rule and select their candidate in a caucus of silver men. Both these projects were put aside, and they are now at the door of the convention with the question of a candidate open and a deadlock inevitable. It will require every silver vote in the convention to nominate, and the friends of any one candidate can if the gold men do not plump their votes to a silver man who may be formidable but not the choice of the majority, prevent an early nomination. This would, of course, play into the hands of those who are maneuvering to bring forward Teller at the opportune time; or, if the sentiment of the convention refused to yield to the leader of the St. Louis bolters, into the hands of the managers of a dark horse, "Buck" Hinrichsen's poll of the Illinois delegation, which showed a majority for Bland, was confirmed to-day when the delegation voted 47 to 1 to support the Missourian. Kansas and Texas also fell in line for Bland and their acquiescence made "Silver Dick's" followers very confident. The Boies boom also grew apace, Iowa's ex-governor's managers received assurances of support from the south, which buoyed up their hopes. But it is a long road to a two-thirds majority and Bland has naturally become the target of the friends of all the other candidates. The dark horses are especially willing to have the Missourian draw the fire. It is possible that eventually Bland may reach the goal, but the most sagacious political observers seem to believe he may have reached the top of the hill. After he has been pulled down they expect to see the Bland cohorts with their hooves even drop on Boies and destroy him.

The Iowa candidate at present has the support, unconsciously, perhaps, so far as he is concerned, of many of the eastern gold men who expect to bow to the will of the majority. Bland, they urge, is a man of a single idea. In the end the situation seems to possibly point to an outsider as the termination of this political strife.

Attitude of Gold Men.

The gold men are without a definite programme. They are practically reconciled to defeat so far as the platform is concerned, but seem to be possessed of the vague hope that something will turn up which will secure for them an acceptable candidate. Among some of the radicals there is still talk of a bolt. McDermott, one of the delegates-at-large from New Jersey, announced to-day that he would walk out of the convention, and the contesting gold delegation from Texas made up their mind that they did not want admission to a convention, which was, they expressed it, determined to plant themselves on the heresy. But, under the advice of Whitney and Hill a fear of a bolt of any proportions is being dispelled, and some of the gold men who were yesterday exceedingly bitter are more composed and ready to accept the situation.

Should there be a physical withdrawal from the convention, however, it is likely that the bolters will later place a ticket in the field. The silver men will go into the convention to-morrow with nothing decided as to the platform and there promises to be a ruction, and perhaps a blood shed, in the end. The majority largely favors a simple platform which will subordinate all others to the financial issue at the polls. Others are in favor of a moderate declaration for the tariff which will raise

sufficient revenue to run the government. On the other hand there are radicals who want an absolute free trade plank in the platform.

Governor Altgeld and Senator Ben Tillman are fighting for a condemnation of the President by name. While others insist that if there shall be a denunciation of the administration's bond issues, they would forego any mention of Mr. Cleveland. The friends of the administration are very anxious to forestall any reflection upon the President and the cooler heads among the silver leaders are disposed to acquiesce. As a matter of fact, it is becoming apparent that the shrewd generals on both sides do not desire to widen the breach between their followers.

The contest will be precipitated the moment the gavel falls to-morrow. The gold men had control of the national committee to-day despite every effort of the silver men to wrest it from their grasp and they used it in a way that cannot but inflame the silver men. By vote of twenty-seven to twenty-three they placed the Michigan sixteen gold delegates on the temporary roll.

Hill May be Humiliated.

They elected Senator Hill for temporary chairman by the same vote, notwithstanding the protests of the silver men that being in the majority, their side was entitled to the initial utterances in the convention. The result is that silver men will suggest Senator Daniels and Senator Hill may be humiliated by defeat. It is said that if elected, Senator Hill will perhaps, greatly surprise those who elected him, by making a speech, which, while it would oppose free coinage, would advocate submission to the will of the majority as one of the cardinal principles of the Democratic faith. But on this point the silver men have their teeth set. There was some talk of some sort of high name parliamentary procedure on Chairman Harity's part, by which Mr. Hill could be installed over the protest of the convention, but good parliamentarians declare that this is impossible. "The name offered by the national committee must be immediately submitted to the convention," said Senator White, of California, who was temporary chairman in St. Louis in 1888. "It will not be in order to offer a substitute, and Senator Daniels' name will be presented. Much as I regret personally the turning down of Mr. Hill, it will be done. In my opinion the action of the national committee accomplished nothing and will only result in intensifying the bitterness at the outset."

If Mr. Hill is cut off his friends say that he will find a way to make the convention hear him, even if he is obliged to rise to a question of personal privilege. The Nebraska gold delegation will undoubtedly be promptly ousted.

THE GOLD PROGRAMME.

The Advocates will Not Leave the Convention in a Body.

CHICAGO, July 6.—The situation in the eastern gold standard camp has crystallized far enough to enable one to get more idea of a settled plan than has hitherto prevailed. The gold men will not as a body leave the convention, and it is doubtful if any individual members take that course. The leaders are all against it, though it is believed that Mr. William C. Whitney would be pleased to see another convention with a gold standard platform.

The most radical action that the gold standard men will take has practically been settled and that is to follow the plan adopted by the Missouri delegation on the national Republican convention in St. Louis, to remain in the convention hall with the notification that they will act in their individual states as to support of the platform and national ticket as the Democrats of their states desire. Such Tammany men as Senator Cantor, Congressman Sulzer and John C. Sheehan assert that they will abide by what the majority does, and will not bolt or refuse to vote on any question. The majority of the New York delegates are apparently of the same mind, and Massachusetts and Pennsylvania, the other two leading states in the gold movement, are in sympathy.

As to the action of the convention on the temporary chairmanship, the delegates will fight tooth and nail for Hill, and they are very chipper to-night with the hope that they may secure a number of silver votes to aid them.

It is believed that gold men to make a show of fairness in the convention will vote to unseat the Nebraska gold men seated by the national committee, and will ask support in returning silver men for the Michigan gold men and for Hill.

It has been rumored that Boies has been dickered for the eastern vote, and that a few silver states that have had vice president Stevenson in mind, are also looking to New York and other gold states for votes. Pennsylvania is not in the alleged deal, remaining faithful to President Altgeld and Senator Jones are most disturbed, and demand a short convention, but the gold men say that it will be a prolonged one.

Whitney's Review of the Situation.

CHICAGO, July 6.—Mr. William C. Whitney, asked to give a resume of the day's proceedings, said late last night to the Associated Press: "The feature of the day has been the remarkable meeting of the national committee and their rather unlooked for action. Mr. Sheehan our national committee man out-generalled the silver people at every point and demonstrated their utter lack of parliamentary knowledge. I am told that the committee in the end had no alternative but to decide with Mr. Sheehan as to the contests. I believe we have made great progress in our cause and that the silver leaders fear us."

Whitney will be in it.

CHICAGO, July 6.—William C. Whitney will be in a delegate's seat on the floor of the convention to-morrow. He has been placed in the seat of A. P. Fitch, of the Fifteenth New York district, and will thus be able to take a part in the debate that will follow the silver men's move. This is an unexpected thing, he having not been elected as a delegate from New York upon his own expressed request when the state convention met there.

California will Ignore Unit Rule.

Wise is authority for the statement that the California delegation is about equally divided between gold and silver, although the delegation was instructed for silver and are subject to the unit rule. Mr. Wise said to-day: "The gold men will not submit to the dictation of Altgeld and his followers, and will disregard the unit rule and vote as they please, if they find it in their interest. At the caucus this afternoon W. W. Foster was chosen chairman of the delegation and J. J. Dwyer member of the national committee."

Flower's Significant Statement.

CHICAGO, July 6.—The New York delegation met at a few minutes after 8 o'clock to-night and had quite a lengthy session. Governor Flower being called upon for a few remarks, made this significant statement: "I believe that we should abide by the decision of the convention on all topics and in that way demonstrate our true Democratic faith. The delegation then selected chairman of delegation, J. P. Flower; member of national committee, William F. Sheehan; member committee on resolutions, David B. Hill."

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Mr. Thomas, of Colorado, made the motion to seat the gold delegation, and 47 members of the national committee voted to do so. In view of the threats that have been made by the silver men that the delegates-at-large from Michigan would be unseated, in order to cast the vote of that state for silver and secure a two-thirds majority in the convention, it remains to be seen what action they will take now that the silver men on the national committee with one exception voted to seat the gold delegates.

The other contests were of minor importance and the decision in each case was in no sense a test. The contest in Ohio was in the Eighteenth district, G. H. Clark and E. S. Raff, gold men, were contesting the seats of W. S. Patts and John H. Schwartz. The silver delegation was seated 24 to 17.

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They asserted more positively than ever their determination to secure control of the temporary organization regardless of the action of the committee. They take the position that the result was secured by open intimidation. The interview between Mr. Whitney and Committeeman Norris, of the District of Columbia, was referred to as a specimen of the gold men's tactics, and it was stated in the meeting that Mr. Whitney had even threatened to ruin Mr. Norris in his business if he should persist in his determination to support a silver man for chairman.

The plan of the silver men will now be to have a report prepared by the minority of the committee presenting their choice for the position and to seat him at all hazards if it appears that a majority of the committee are with them as they are sure it will be.

Representatives from twenty-six states, all of whom reported that their delegates were prepared to follow the instructions of the leaders designated by the committee in every move they might make. It developed that it was the plan of the committee to select men to make all the important motions, which it is contemplated will be necessary in the convention, and that none but these shall be supported by the silver men whatever the motion or suggestion.

The committee appointed to visit recalcitrant delegations made the rounds with great dispatch and returned in less than an hour, reporting that they had pulled some of the missing delegations and had secured the guarantee of a sufficient number to swell the total to 522. They also stated that while in some cases they had not been able to make an actual poll in some cases on account of the impossibility of seeing individual delegates, they had been assured by members of delegations who were seen that there would be a vote of at least 500. This estimate it was stated, was entirely independent of contests and did not include many other delegates. They still claim over six hundred votes.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted: Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that the cause of free silver requires that a Democrat in favor of silver should be elected temporary chair-

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The committee appointed to visit recalcitrant delegations made the rounds with great dispatch and returned in less than an hour, reporting that they had pulled some of the missing delegations and had secured the guarantee of a sufficient number to swell the total to 522. They also stated that while in some cases they had not been able to make an actual poll in some cases on account of the impossibility of seeing individual delegates, they had been assured by members of delegations who were seen that there would be a vote of at least 500. This estimate it was stated, was entirely independent of contests and did not include many other delegates. They still claim over six hundred votes.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted: Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that the cause of free silver requires that a Democrat in favor of silver should be elected temporary chair-

man of the convention and that all true and loyal friends of the free coinage of silver should vote for Senator John W. Daniels for temporary chairman of the convention, as recommended by the minority report of the national committee.

On motion of Senator Jones a resolution was adopted requesting all silver delegates to be at the convention hall not later than 11 o'clock and in the seats not later than 11:30 to-morrow morning.

At the close of the silver conference, which occurred at 12 o'clock to-night, Senators Jones, of Arkansas, said: "I feel very confident on the eve of the convention that the promises of the Democratic silver men to the country will be entirely verified by the proceedings to-morrow. We were not able to locate all the silver delegations to-night, but we have assurances of between 500 and 550 votes, and we are confident of securing enough to swell the vote on temporary chairman to about 600."

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